

Sale of Navy Food Here Set For Wednesday

City to Open Ten Stations For Distribution of More Than \$4,000,000 Surplus of Staple Supplies

Low Prices Are Fixed

Williams Continues Probe of Sugar Profiteering; Brokers Ask Fair Play

Thirty million pounds of surplus navy food will be placed on sale, beginning next Wednesday or Thursday, at ten sales stations established by the Department of Public Markets, Commissioner Day announced yesterday. The sale of army food at the public schools will close tomorrow, he said, but the consistent demand of the public for surplus food at low prices had led him to begin a sale as extensive as the one now closing.

The value of the navy food is between \$4,000,000 and \$5,000,000. The city will obtain the food on a thirty-day consignment basis, according to reports of the food of the army which that time there will be two sales stations in each borough, in warehouses or armories situated in the heart of districts where the surplus army supplies have been most in demand.

The city will add 1 cent a pound to the navy's prices, except in a few instances. Two cents will be charged when it is necessary to break a can, because the amount is too large.

Dr. Day confidently expects that further surpluses on the high cost of living will be made by the disposal of the navy food. He pointed out that one item alone—7,740,000 pounds of canned beef at \$1.55 a six-pound can, will enable housewives to save on meat bills. Salt will be sold by the 112 at 60 cents a hundred-pound bag—10 cents more than the navy's price to the city. There are 1,535,000 pounds of beef to the city.

The city will attempt to sell 1,388,000 pounds of suet at about 56 cents for a ten-pound can, as the price to the navy is 51 cents. Another 1,000,000 of oatmeal, a total of 3,150,000 pounds will be sold for 12 cents each. Evaporated milk will be sold by the city for 14 cents a can. The city will sell 3,240,000 pounds of it to sell. Hard sack, cracked pineapple and peaches are among the articles to be offered. Millions of pounds of lima, kidney and other beans will be sold at prices 10 per cent below those demanded in retail stores. Peas, vinegar, catsup and apple butter are assorted jars and other goods. The quantities and photo handled by the city which will be offered to the public.

Continues Sugar Probe
Federal Food Administrator Arthur Williams yesterday ignored the half-hearted in his crusade against sugar profiteering. He questioned Charles W. Snook, a food products dealer at 30 West Broadway, concerning 1,000 barrels of sugar reported to have been offered for sale at an exorbitant price.

Under questioning, Mr. Snook said that a Mr. Lewis, of 505 Howard Street, Brooklyn, had informed him that he would receive a substantial profit if he could dispose of 1,000 barrels of sugar at 1/2 cent a pound.

Lewis was summoned by Mr. Williams. He said he had heard of the 1,000 barrels of sugar through a Mr. Schipper, who had offered him a profit of 1 cent a pound if he aided Schipper to dispose of 5,000 barrels. Lewis said he knew nothing further about Schipper.

Mr. Williams told Lewis that he was in grave danger of being prosecuted for profiteering, but that he would give him until Monday to produce all the facts concerning Schipper. If Lewis fails to do this, Mr. Williams said, he will turn the matter over to the United States district.

Appeals for Fair Play
Leahen V. E. Cameron, president of the National Association of Brokers in refined sugar, in a letter to Administrator Williams, complained that the forces of the manipulations of sugar prices in the daily papers were an injustice to the legitimate brokers. The brokers mentioned in the newspapers, he said, were not members of his association. Members of the association

Firemen and Police Hold Joint Meeting On Wage Increase

2,500 Members of Two Associations Present When Letters From La Guardia and Moran Are Reported On

On October 14 members of the Uniformed Firemen's Association and the Patrolmen's Benevolent Association, meeting separately, passed resolutions appointing committees to wait on the candidates for President of the Board of Aldermen, with questions regarding their respective attitudes toward the scale of increases which had been asked by the men of the two departments.

The requests made by the men to the Board of Estimate were for increases which would fix the salaries at \$1,600, \$1,800 and \$2,000 a year for the three grades. The increase of \$1,600 was placed in the 1920 budget was \$250, which brought the rates of pay to \$1,450, \$1,550 and \$1,800.

Special meetings of the two organizations were held at Maenhercher Hall, East Fifty-sixth Street, yesterday to receive reports from committees appointed to question the candidates. The Patrolmen's Benevolent Association met in the large hall, and the Uniformed Firemen's Association gathered in the smaller chamber. Admission in both cases was by badge, and care was taken to keep the proceedings secret.

As soon as the patrolmen's meeting convened, a motion was carried to invite the firemen to join the police meeting. This was conveyed to the firemen's meeting, and about nine hundred firemen marched into the larger hall. The total attendance of patrolmen and firemen was stated by an officer of the patrolmen's organization to have been around 2,500. It was the first time in the history of the city that patrolmen and firemen have held a joint meeting.

Following the meeting it was announced by officers of the two bodies that the letters received from Honorable H. La Guardia (Republican), and Robert H. Moran (Democrat), candidates for the Presidency of the Board of Aldermen, had been read to the men. These letters have been previously made public. Major La Guardia declared himself outspokenly in favor of the scale of wages mentioned in the patrolmen's and firemen's petitions.

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